

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment-after Final action 10/18/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2-11, 13-16, 18 and 20.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Remarks

In response to communications files on April 27, 2007, Claims 2, 6, 13, and 16 are amended by applicant's request. Therefore, claims 2-11, 13-16, 18, and 20 are presently pending in the application.

Reasons for Allowance

1. Claims 2-11, 13-16, 18, and 20 are allowed
2. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: the prior arts of records, neither anticipates nor renders obvious the following limitations as claimed:

As to claims 2 and 13, the prior art of records fail to anticipate or suggest a computer-implemented method of transmitting streaming data, the method comprising:

streaming a video comprising previously-stored first video data and second video data from data storage to a user, and

receiving a request to fast-forward the video and detecting an attempt to bypass the second video data and, notwithstanding the request, streaming the second video data to the user;

wherein the first video data is stored on a first member of the data storage and the second video data is stored on a second member of the data storage, the user being enabled to fast-forward any video data stored on the first member and disabled from fast-forwarding any video

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data stored on the second member, to transmit the any video data stored on the second member to the user with fast-forwarding disabled, together with the other limitations of the independent claims.

As to claim 6, the prior art of records fail to anticipate or suggest a video streaming system comprising:

a first portion of a virtual partition, the first portion containing previously-stored first video data,

a second portion of the virtual partition, the second portion containing previously--stored second video data;

a file system operable to access video data stored on the first and second portions of the virtual partition; and

a module operable to read the video data from the first and second portions of the virtual partition, the file system being configured to access the video data from the first and second portions of the virtual partition through the module, the module being configured to refuse a request to fast-forward any video data stored on the second portion and being configured to detect an attempt by a user to bypass the second video data from the second portion of the virtual partition with a fast-forward request and, notwithstanding the request, to transmit the second video data to the user, together with the other limitations of the independent claims.

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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Belix M. Ortiz whose telephone number is 571-272-4081. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9am-5pm.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-272-8300.

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